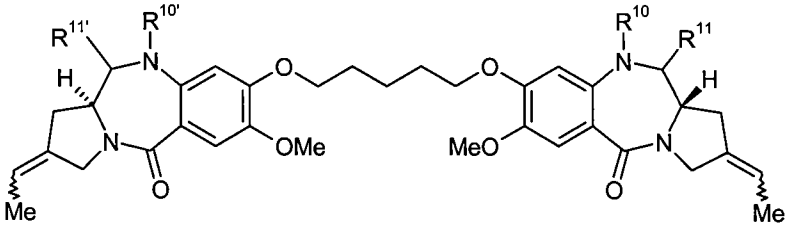
Amendments to the Claims:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A compound of formula I:



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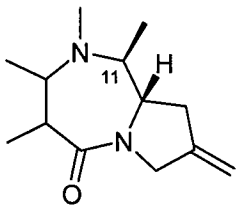
~~and~~ or pharmaceutically acceptable salts or ~~and~~ solvates thereof, wherein:
~~R^{10} is a nitrogen protecting group and R^{11} is either OH or O-R^{12}, wherein R^{12} is an oxygen protecting group, or~~ R^{10} and R^{11} together form a double bond between N10 and C11;
and $R^{10'}$ and $R^{11'}$ are selected from the same options as R^{10} and R^{11} respectively.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 16 ~~1~~, wherein the compounds have the following stereochemistry at the C11 position:



~~when R^{10} and R^{11} do not form a double bond~~.

4. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 16 ~~1~~, wherein the nitrogen protecting groups are selected from carbamate nitrogen protecting groups.

5. (Original) A compound according to claim 4, wherein the nitrogen protecting groups are selected from the group consisting of Alloc, Troc, Teoc, BOC, Doc, Hoc, TcBOC, Fmoc, 1-Adoc and 2-Adoc.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 1, wherein at least 50% is in either the E-, E- or Z-, Z- forms.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Canceled)

10. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1 and pharmaceutically acceptable salts and solvates thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

11. (Canceled)

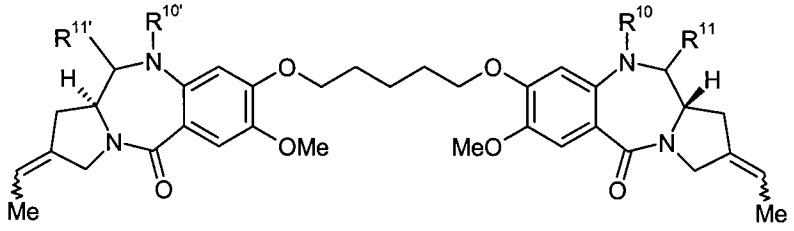
12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently amended) A method for the treatment of a gene-based disease, comprising administering to a subject suffering from a gene-based disease a therapeutically-effective amount of a compound of claim 1 or pharmaceutically acceptable salts and solvates thereof ~~The method of claim 12~~, wherein the gene-based disease is infection by gram-positive bacteria.

15. (Previously presented) The method of claim 14, wherein the gram-positive bacteria is selected from MRSA and VRE.

16. (New) A compound of formula I:



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or pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates thereof, wherein:

R^{10} is a nitrogen protecting group and R^{11} is either OH or O-R^{12}, wherein R^{12} is an oxygen protecting group;

and $R^{10'}$ and $R^{11'}$ are selected from the same options as R^{10} and R^{11} respectively.